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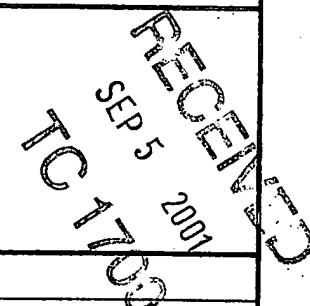
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L-PHENYLALANINE 1-METHYL ESTER AS A  
SWEETENER IN CHEWING GUM

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--New Power of Attorney to the undersigned

--Response to Official Action of March 27, 2001

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